STATE OF CONNECTICUT
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

TO: High School and Middle School Principals, Staff Members and Students

FROM: Dr. Miguel A. Cardona, Commissioner of Education

DATE: February 24, 2021

SUBJECT: Challenge to Educational Citizenship Award Program

Please share the following message from our State Student Advisory Council:

The State Student Advisory Council on Education is pleased to offer the Challenge to Educational Citizenship Award Program.

The recipients of these awards embody the spirit of citizenship, commitment to serving others, and altruism. Any student-organized activity that demonstrates intrinsic kindness is eligible for submission. Submitted projects will be evaluated on the basis of the depth, breadth, and quality of impact on others.

Reflect on the organizations within your school community. Do any of them epitomize exemplary civic awareness, cooperation, and boundless potential for community impact? If so, SSACE asks you to give them your thoughtful consideration for this recognition.

Schools may submit more than one project. Please complete a separate form (master copy attached) for each project. Every project submitted will receive a certificate of recognition. The members of SSACE will carefully evaluate and select between 10 and 20 statewide winners. All submissions will be published in a pamphlet and distributed statewide to allow for replication of successful projects.

Awards will be presented in late May or early June. We hope this year every middle and high school in Connecticut will submit at least one project in order to properly recognize the hard work of students who work tirelessly to improve their communities. Thank you.

Attachment
cc: Superintendents of Schools

CONNECTICUT STATE STUDENT ADVISORY COUNCIL ON EDUCATION "Challenge to Educational Citizenship Award"

Project Nomination Form

Project Title: Bacon Academy NHS Gives Back

Description (brief but detailed – including the mission/purpose, number of individuals served, number of students participating, hours/days of work, specific benefits to individuals and/or groups, and years of operation. Please have the students work hard on writing approximately 100 words that accurately and completely describe the project.)

Bacon Academy's chapter of the National Honor Society creates enthusiasm for scholarship, promotes leadership, develops character, and most importantly kindles a desire to serve our community. This past school year, our chapter of 25 students has collectively completed a total of 271.5 hours of service and supported 1,000 individuals throughout Colchester. Projects we have pursued include: a tutoring program for students district-wide, organizing trash-cleanups along Norwich Ave, advocating for a local small business, supporting a local nursing home by organizing a holiday gift drive (200 gifts, wrapped and delivered). Additionally, we are currently completing a courtyard cleanup project.

Student Spokesperson: **Shannon Hickey**

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School Name: **Bacon Academy** Fax: **860-537-5410**

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Principal's Signature:

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